The HDS Team would like to wish you all a Happy New Year with sincere hopes that this latest lockdown, along with the vaccinations being rolled out, will enable us to spend more time with extended family and friends in the coming year, and, of course, result in lots of dancing in face to face classes (and at parties!).

With the new strain of C19 being particularly virulent we will be returning to our reduced timetable (attached) for Zoom classes from 11 January 2021. Some classes are not being offered online as we feel that the value of the classes would be very limited. These classes have been shaded in on the timetable.

We hope that students who attend our Pointe classes have been able to take home the strengthening exercises we practice in class, the warm up exercises we do at the barre and tips for wearing in pointe shoes and can safely and carefully practice at home.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU WILL **NOT** BE ATTENDING YOUR SCHEDULED ZOOM CLASSES.

Invoices

We will be sending invoices half termly again so that we can review the situation at half term. There will be 5 classes before half term, priced as they were last term (see below).

Zoom Prices

£3 per 30 min Zoom class £4 per 45 min Zoom class

Zoom Links

We will be sending Zoom links out in separate emails for each class. Each link is valid for all 5 weeks. Please file the email in a safe place so that you can find the link easily each week and delete any previous links to avoid possible confusion!

Tips for using Zoom for dance classes are attached should you be new to it.

Exams this term are on hold until we know when we might return to face to face classes. We may be able to do an Exam Intensive block of classes in person at the start of the Summer Term before doing exams in April/May, but we will have to wait and see how the situation progresses as safety must be our first concern. The exams may be filmed or done in front of an examiner depending on availability. If this is relevant to your class you will be emailed separately with further details.

As everyone prepares for the challenges a lockdown presents, we would like to **thank you** for your continued support and understanding. We recognise that everyone's circumstances and needs are different and if you have any doubts or financial issues with regards your dance classes please let us know as we would like to keep as many people dancing as we can – healthy body, healthy mind!

Kind regards

HDS Team